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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) appreciate the funding opportunity provided by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) Grant Program, and are pleased to jointly submit the Interstate 405 (I-405) Improvement Project (Project) for funding consideration. Due to the comprehensive and transformative mobility and economic benefits this Project will provide, we encourage the USDOT to award the \$32 million in requested funds to support this worthwhile Project.

The \$1.7 billion I-405 Project will add one general-purpose lane, plus an additional managed-lane in each direction. Positive economic returns are expected with a cost-benefit ratio of 4.8 and the creation of 42,000 jobs, resulting from the construction of the Project. The Project itself is within a vital goods-movement corridor on the National Highway Freight Network, connecting the San Diego and U.S./Mexico border region with the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles. Improvements to the quality of life, environmental sustainability, economic competitiveness, innovation, and increased transit opportunities are also expected. FASTLANE 2016 funds will reduce debt service, and allow the facility to be congestion managed and operated to maximize the throughput of the people, goods, and services our national economy relies upon. Many of the latest managed lanes innovations will be utilized, and coordination with six cities and two counties will emphasize the strong partnership component of the Project.

This Project is of significant intra-regional and inter-regional importance to the National Highway Freight Network, and is recommend for FASTLANE 2016 grant consideration.

Sincerely,

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the Shasta Regional Transportation Authority (SRTA) to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant program, for the Interstate 5 Redding to Anderson Six Lane project (Project).

This Project will widen I-5 from four-lanes to six-lanes, between the cities of Redding and Anderson, and will replace a hazardously substandard railroad overcrossing near the city of Anderson. The Project has statewide benefits in moving goods to and from northern California. More importantly, it has national ramifications as it is the only California corridor providing an expeditious link to the state of Oregon and to the state of Washington from points south to Mexico.

The Project also offers additional benefits and opportunities for partnerships between Caltrans, the city of Anderson, the city of Redding, the Shasta Regional Transportation Authority, the Union Pacific Railroad, Shasta County, and private food distribution firms. Along with these partnerships, this Project will provide the ability to improve regional and national market competitiveness and promote middle class job-creation in an economically distressed region, thereby improving quality of life, incorporating innovation with local circulation improvements, ITS technologies, as well as incorporating a multimodal hub within the Project's boundaries.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA) to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant program, for the first phase of the Interstate (I) 80/State Route (SR) 65 interchange.

The PCTPA, along with federal, State, and local agency representatives, worked through a collaborative process, over the last five years, to identify improvements to I-80 freeway operations and mobility, while minimizing impacts to the local community. The design plans for the first phase of the I-80/SR 65 interchange are currently being completed by Caltrans and construction is planned to begin in 2017 on the \$38 million stand-alone project. The PCTPA is requesting a \$6 million FASTLANE 2016 grant to leverage \$10 million in local funding, and \$22 million in additional federal funding.

It is estimated that I-80 carries \$4.7 million dollars an hour in goods movement, and the first phase of improvements to the I-80/SR 65 interchange will reduce traffic congestion, and improve safety that is negatively affecting existing goods movement. The I-80 corridor is one of the most important corridors in Northern California and is vital for goods movement, as the sole, all-weather freeway crossing of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. We are pleased to offer our support of this valuable grant application, and look forward to construction of this key project, to improve transportation in the State of California and the nation.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant program, for the Marin-Sonoma Narrows Sonoma Completion (Segments B2, Phase 2, and C2) Project (Project).

The Project will add approximately eight miles of both southbound and northbound High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes to US 101, and complete over 29 miles of HOV lanes in Sonoma County. The total Project cost is \$122 million. The request for \$73 million in FASTLANE 2016 grant dollars will be supplemented by a match of \$49 million from a variety of sources, including federal earmarks, State sources, Sonoma County Measure M, and city of Petaluma local funds. US 101 serves as the backbone of Northern California for the movement of goods and people from the Golden Gate Bridge to the Oregon border. Sonoma County, residents voted in favor of collecting sales tax revenues to be spent on US 101 widening projects.

This Project is in State and Bay Area Freight Plans. It will make goods movement timelier and more reliable, which is particularly important for the North Bay with its wine industry and other agricultural products.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation supports the application of the city of Bakersfield to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant program, for the Centennial Corridor State Route (SR) 58/99 Freight Corridor Improvements Project (Project).

The Project will extend SR 58 approximately a mile and a half through central Bakersfield from SR 99 to the Westside Parkway, which continues west and connects with Interstate 5 via Stockdale Highway. The Project will help relieve traffic congestion and allow for faster transportation of goods in the region. The total Project cost is \$627 million (\$302 million in construction capital and \$32.5 million in construction support) and the funds needed to finish the project is \$196.6 million. The FASTLANE 2016 grant request is \$120 million. The remaining needed funds will be obtained from other debt financing means being pursued by the city of Bakersfield, particularly through a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan or issuance of municipal debt. The Kern Council of Governments, Kern County, and the city of Bakersfield are in support of this Project.

The Project is critical to improving fluid freight movement both regionally as well as nationally and will also improve overall east-west connectivity to intermodal freight facilities and interregional commuters using SR 58. The Project completed its environmental phase in December 2015 and will be ready for construction by August 2018.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation supports the application of the Fresno Council of Governments to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant application, for the State Route (SR) 180 four-lane Expressway Project (Project).

This Project will construct approximately 3.5 miles, of four-lane Expressway on SR 180, from Smith Avenue, to Frankwood Avenue in Fresno County, completing a multi-phased improvement project that has upgraded nearly 13 miles of SR 180 East from Fresno towards the Sierra mountain range. The total estimated cost of the Project is \$56.2 million, with the FASTLANE 2016 grant request for \$32.76 million, representing 58 percent of the total cost. The remaining funding has been identified through State funds, and Measure C, the region's local transportation sales tax measure. This final segment is ready for construction, pending additional funding.

Completion of this Project will significantly improve freight and goods movement throughout the region, allowing for safer, and more efficient movement of goods to the major ports in Northern and Southern California, as supported by the Draft National Freight Strategic Plan.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant program, for the State Route (SR) 99 Four to Six lanes Widening Project (Project).

This rural Project proposes to widen four-lane SR 99 to six lanes. The total Project cost is \$67,240,000 the funding necessary to finish the Project is \$60,740,000 (\$55,540,000 construction capital and \$5,200,000 construction support). The FASTLANE 2016 grant request is \$36,440,000. The remaining needed funds will be from TIGER grant and/or Interregional Improvement Program funds. The MCTC, Madera County, and the city of Madera, are in support of this Project.

This Project provides significant improvement for goods movement on this key eight-mile section of SR 99 through the city of Madera. Widening of this section of SR 99 is also required to improve safety, reduce congestion, increase connectivity of the highway system, and preserve acceptable facility operation. The Project completed its environmental phase in 2015, and will be ready for construction by December 2017.

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The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the city of Bakersfield to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant program, for the Centennial Corridor State Route 58/State Route 99 (SR58/99) Freight Corridor Improvements Project (Project).

The SR 58/99 Project will extend SR-58 approximately a mile and a half through central Bakersfield from SR-99 to the Westside Parkway, which continues west and connects with Interstate 5 (I-5) via Stockdale Highway. The Project will help relieve traffic congestion and allow for faster transportation of goods in the region. The total Project cost is \$627 million and the funds needed to finish the project is \$286.5 million. The FASTLANE 2016 grant request is \$120 million. The remaining necessary funds will be obtained from other debt financing means being pursued by the city of Bakersfield, particularly through a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan or issuance of municipal debt. The Kern Council of Governments, Kern County, and the city of Bakersfield are in support of this Project.

The Project is critical to improving fluid freight movement both regionally as well as nationally and will also improve overall east-west connectivity to intermodal freight facilities and interregional commuters using SR-58. The Project completed its environmental phase in December 2015 and will be ready for construction by August 2018.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the Freight Advanced Traveler Information System (FRATIS) Project (Project) by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), which is being submitted to the United States Department of Transportation, for the Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies competitive grant program.

The Project, is a bundle of applications that provides freight-specific dynamic travel planning, and performance information, while optimizing drayage operations so load movements are coordinated between freight facilities, to reduce empty-load trips.

Metro worked with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG) on the planning and implementation of highway projects and freight/goods movement technology projects in the area. Metro and the GCCOG will lead the Project, in coordination with their Intelligent Transportation System Goods Movement Working Group (Group). Active since 2011, this Group has over 45 members including regional key stakeholders, the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, Marine Terminal Operators, the Harbor Trucking Association, the California Trucking Association, and the Coalition for Responsible Transportation. This Group was a key element in the success of the FRATIS demonstration in the Los Angeles region.

This Project plays a significant role in the movement of people and freight in Southern California. Caltrans looks forward to working with Metro to carry out this significant Project.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Malcolm Dougherty, written in a cursive style.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant program, for the Interstate 110/Interstate 405 (I-110/I-405) Project.

The grant amount requested is \$15 million. The total project cost is \$37 million for construction capital. The remaining funding for the project, \$22 million, will be financed by the Local Sales Tax, Measure R. The proposed Project will extend the number 4 lane on the southbound I-110 mainline, from the State Route (SR) 91 connectors through the I-110/I-405 interchange. Currently, the number 4 lane drops off before the interchange, reducing the I-110 mainline to three lanes, creating a bottleneck on the I-110 mainline. The northbound I-405 to southbound I-110 connector will also be realigned, adding a fifth auxiliary lane to the southbound I-110 mainline.

Caltrans in partnership with the LA Metro and the South Bay Council of Government proposes this Project to relieve congestion on the I-110/I-405 Interchange. Relieving bottleneck congestion on southbound I-110 will improve operations along a major access corridor to the Port of Los Angeles and will also improve daily commuter travel times from downtown Los Angeles to the Los Angeles Airport.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the Port of Long Beach's Green Port Gateway Phase 2: Terminal Island Wye Rail Improvements (Project) to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) grant.

The Port of Long Beach is one of the world's busiest seaports, a leading gateway for trade between the United States and Asia. The Port of Long Beach supports over a million jobs nationally and generates billions of dollars in economic activity each year.

This Project is anticipated to enhance both our regional and national long-term economic competitiveness; reduce locomotive idling by 2,500 hours annually; and increase the safety, environmental sustainability, and livability of the region. The Project will add 12,000 feet of new track and help the San Pedro Bay Port Complex achieve its goal of moving 35 percent of goods by on-dock rail by 2035. The proposed improvements will facilitate several critical rail operations, and potentially reduce 250,000 truck trips per year by 2035. These improvements are necessary for managing vehicle congestion on our local roadways and regional freeways, as goods move through our gateway, bound for markets across the nation.

The Project plays a significant role in the movement of people and freight in Southern California. Caltrans looks forward to working with the Port of Long Beach and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to carry out this important Project.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the city of City of Industry and the city of Diamond Bar's application to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) grant program for the State Route 57/State Route 60 (SR-57/SR-60) Confluence Project (Project).

The SR-57/SR-60 Confluence provides a gateway to four major counties in Southern California including Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside. Not only does it provide for the daily commercial vehicle traffic, but it is also part of the daily commute from more affordable counties to counties with larger employment centers in the region. With the current state of the freeway infrastructure, the SR-57/SR-60 Confluence is part of the ultimate bottleneck within the Southern California region for all users. The primary purpose of the proposed Project is to improve traffic operations and safety on SR-57/SR-60 at the Grand Avenue Interchange, as well as freight transportation between Los Angeles and the nation.

This Project play a significant role in the movement of people and freight in Southern California. Caltrans looks forward to working with the City of Industry, the city of Diamond Bar, and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to carry out this important Project.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) competitive grant program, for the State Route (SR) 71 Conversion from Expressway to Freeway (Project).

With a total Project cost of \$175 million, the grant amount being requested is \$40 million. Additional funds needed for the Project will be made up with \$44 million in other federal sources, \$65.8 million from local sources (Proposition C), and \$25.2 million from State Regional Improvement Program funds.

This Project proposes to upgrade the existing 4-lane expressway to an 8-lane freeway by adding one general purpose lane and one "High Occupancy Vehicle" lane in each direction along SR 71, between Mission Boulevard, and SR 60 in Los Angeles County. The Project will alleviate traffic congestion by increasing capacity on SR 71 to handle forecasted traffic volumes, due to extensive development in the region, including planned industrial and commercial growth in the immediate vicinity of the Project area. SR 71 also provides an important link between SR 60 and Interstate 10, both of which are considered major east-west freight corridors, and will provide congestion relief to nearby SR 57. The proposed Project will also improve freeway access for commercial trucks traveling to SR 60, and commuters to SR 91. Caltrans is pleased to offer our support for this Project, and look forward to partnering with LA Metro to improve transportation in Los Angeles County.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the city of Pomona's application to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) grant program, for the State Route (SR) 71 Conversion from Expressway to Freeway (Project).

SR 71 is a major regional highway transportation facility traversing parts of Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Riverside County. It is a connecting link for major east-west corridors passing through the area and serves as an inland passageway for interregional travel between San Diego and the eastern portion of the Los Angeles area. The Project closes a gap in the transportation system by eliminating at grade cross traffic.

This Project plays a significant role in the movement of people and freight in Southern California. Caltrans looks forward to working with the city of Pomona and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to carry out this important Project.

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Dear Secretary Foxx:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) supports the application of the Imperial County Transportation Commission to the United States Department of Transportation's Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation, for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies competitive grant program, for the Calexico East Port of Entry Project (Project).

The grant amount being requested is \$30 million, which in turn will cover the bridge expansion over the All American Canal, three new primary truck inspection lanes, and road construction. The Project is a proposed public-private-partnership with the remaining improvements financed by a toll finance structure that will include six new lanes, booths, road construction, and covered pedestrian pathway, bringing the total Project cost estimate to \$64.7 million.

In partnership with Caltrans, the County of Imperial, Safer Community Foundation, Inc. (a non-profit entity), United States Customs and Border Protection, and the United States General Services Administration, this Project aims to improve freight elements of the Calexico East Port of Entry. These improvements help alleviate congestion, decrease cross border wait times, and enhance international trade and commerce.

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The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the California Department of Transportation, appreciate the funding opportunity provided by the United States Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE 2016) Grant Program, and are pleased to jointly submit the Interstate 405 Improvement Project (Project) for funding consideration. Due to the comprehensive and transformative mobility and economic benefits this Project will provide, we encourage USDOT to award the \$32 million in requested funds to support the capital costs of constructing the general-purpose lane element of this worthwhile Project.

The \$1.7 billion Project will add one general-purpose lane plus an additional managed-lane in each direction. Positive economic returns are expected with a cost-benefit ratio of 4.8 and the creation of 42,000 jobs resulting from the construction of the Project. The Project itself is within a vital goods-movement corridor on the National Highway Freight Network, connecting the San Diego and United States/Mexico border region, with the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles. Improvements to the quality of life, environmental sustainability, economic competitiveness, innovation, and increased transit opportunities are also expected. FASTLANE 2016 funds will reduce debt service and allow the facility to be managed and operated to maximize the throughput of the goods and services that our national economy relies upon. Many of the latest managed lanes innovations will be utilized, and coordination with six cities and two counties will emphasize the strong partnership component of the Project.

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Dear Ms. England:

The California Department of Transportation appreciates the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) for taking the lead on coordinating efforts to reduce truck-related back-of-queue crashes and fatalities across the United States (U.S.). Our first priority in California is to provide a safe transportation system throughout the State. We appreciate the benefits of collaborating with multiple states on a project that creatively attracts leading private sector companies to join together in addressing this issue in an innovative, coordinated, and nationwide manner.

Addressing the problem of back-of-queue collisions across the U.S. has many benefits relating to safety, mobility, and the economy. This project will provide valuable data to enable the transportation community to better understand the size and scale of the high-speed slowdown problem, so the nation as a whole can build upon this project and move towards making these types of collisions a thing of the past.

We support the project, and look forward to actively participating, should it be selected for a United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies competitive grant program. Unfortunately, due to funding shortfalls in California, we are unable to commit funds at this time. We understand that our participation will continue for the duration of the proposed two-year project, consistent with the Project Specific Agreement between USDOT and INDOT.

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